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POLSON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Big Arm Fire Station No. 2

June 10, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Notice: All meetings for the Polson Rural Fire District Board of Trustees are recorded.

Board trustees present: Fred Nelson, Dick Wunderlich, Ron Roberts. Arrival delayed: John Doty,

R. Jack Clapp.

Board trustee absent: None

Staff: Fire Chief Gordon R. Gieser, Secretary/Treasurer Bonnie M. Manicke.

Guests/Visitors: Alison Meslin, David Waterman, Cynthia Waterman, Nancy Cameron, Lee Manicke, Matt Dougherty, John Bras, Lee Engbretson, Donna Winn, Ray Winn, Chair Volunteer Membership Jeff Veach,

Call to Order - {00:01} Chair Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Attendance was entered into the minutes.

Minutes May 13, 2020 (01:05) - Chair Nelson requested a correction page 5, fourth line down Engine #328 replacement. The Missoula unit has a 500 gallon tank, however the unit has a lifetime guarantee plastic tank and a 100 1000 gallon a minute pump attachment. Trustee Roberts motion to approve May 13, 2020 minutes with correction. Trustee Wunderlich second. Public comment: None. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Communications $\{02:03\}$ – None.

Claims {02:11} - Trustee Roberts noted Station 4 Mission Valley Power bill \$200.79 is high. Chief Gieser indicated the bill is less than the previous month. The area of station 4 is significantly larger than station 2, also the stations have a different rate schedule. The rate schedule will be reviewed further with MVP. Additionally Trustee Roberts questioned the Western Building Center claim \$2,754.00. Chief Gieser purchased 3 - 24-inch bar chain saws for Station 1, 2, and 4. The price included a 10% government bid assistance. Murdoch's quote did not include a discount. Trustee Roberts motion to pay bills. Trustee Wunderlich second. Public comment: None. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

TREASURY REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING MAY 31, 2020 {06:15} - Lake County Treasurer reports posted and balanced May 31, 2020 close of business. Operating fund balance includes May expenditures approved June 10, 2020.

FUND#	7245 Operating Fund	106,413.69
FUND#	7244 Voted Levy (5 mills with sunset)	60.149.89
FUND#	7246 Capital Improvement Fund	39,839.00
FUND#	7243 Voted Levy Operating Fund .(transition fund) \$	18.34

Check numbers 7455 - 7471, both inclusive

Represents May, 2020 claims Approved June 10, 2020

\$ 8,291.23

Public Safety:

Fire Chief payroll May 8, 22, 2020 (gross)	\$3	3,384.62
Employer expense match SS & Medicare	\$	258.92
Quick books processing fee	\$	3.50

Lake County Trial Balance 5-31-20

Fund #7244 2019 Real property taxes outstanding	\$ 5,039.04
Fund #7245 2019 Real property taxes outstanding	\$ 10,239.31

The June real property tax collections will reduce the amount outstanding. Generally the revenue collection is 98% of real estate taxes booked. Trustee Wunderlich reported June, 2019 year end cash balances - operating fund \$84,000, voted levy fund \$51,000; capital improvement fund \$148,000. Chief Gieser commented station 4 capital project construction was completed with cash on hand; no loan funds were utilized. Public comment: None. Trustee Clapp motion to approve treasury report. Trustee Roberts second. Public comment: None. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

CHIEF'S REPORT (10:08) – Chief Gieser reported May, 2020 activity.

Response

- 1). Possible car fire Highway 93 and Memory Lane; 2). Smoke alarm 27831 Rocky Point Road;
- 3), Mutual aid for Ronan Fire canceled en-route; 4). Vehicle accident Highway 93 and 35; 5). Vehicle vs deer 35949 Memory Lane; 6). Fatality accident Highway 35 and Fulkersons Corner; 7). Power line down 43576 Buffalo Bridge Road; 8). Tree blocking the road at 39432 Kings Point Road; 9). Power lines down 28855 north Whiskey Cove; 10). Power lines down 35326 Rocky Point Road; 11). Smoke sighting 35800 Eagles Nest Drive; 12). Motor vehicle accident 42684 Buffalo Bridge Road.

<u>Administration</u>

Executive session with the board. The annual review was positive.

Extrication training- Membership purchased a new extrication tool for Station 2.

After action review with DNRC

Distribute training hour notifications

Repair and Maintenance

Station 4 adjust overhead doors

Chief Gieser recommended Mike Cullen as a rural volunteer firefighter. Mike has 13 years with the Ronan Fire District and is the manager for the Polson Ambulance Service. Trustee Clapp motion to approve Chief Gieser's recommendation to accept Mike Cullen as a Polson Rural volunteer firefighter. Trustee Wunderlich second. Board comment: None. Public comment: None. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote. Chair Nelson thanked Chief Gieser for the report.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT {16:17} — Jeff Veach reported the Big Arm Hamburger Feed is canceled. The event may be rescheduled at a later date. Generally rural fire volunteers provide stand by safety coverage at the car races. Chief Gieser indicated the race association has not contacted rural fire. The membership plans to purchase a new combi tool and accessories for station 2 in Big Arm at an estimated cost of \$13,000. The batteries and components will be compatible with the combi tool at station 1. The membership plans to contribute \$10,000 for Wt-311 upgrade. Membership will discuss the time line for disbursement next month. Training included wildland training and chain

saw training June 23rd. The board thanked the membership for consideration to purchase a combi tool and contribution for Wt-311 upgrade. Chair Nelson commented the addition of the combi tool at station 2 will be readily available when needed. The funds to purchase the equipment were raised by the association and the community. Trustee Clapp commented it is amazing a large number of donations are from outside of the immediate community with connections to the district. Chair Nelson thanked Jeff for the report.

OLD BUSINESS:

PER-DIEM POLICY {22:54} - Trustee Wunderlich introduced the agenda item. The policy is presented for discussion and further review. Trustee Roberts questioned the meal allowance coordinating with travel time. Trustee Clapp commented the organization is small and the chief will monitor the policy in an appropriate fashion. Trustee Wunderlich suggested the board review the policy further.

Chair Nelson asked for additional old business: None

NEW BUSINESS:

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW CHIEF GIESER {26:15} - Chair Nelson introduced the agenda item. At Chief Gieser's request, the board met in executive session. The review centered around accomplishments during the less than three year tenure. Capital projects included a new station on Caffrey Road, Wt-#310 completed and on line, Wt-#311 upgrade in progress-anticipated completion December, 2020, and proposed replacement for Engine #328. Polson Rural is interested in purchasing a 1995 Missoula Rural unit government to government sale to replace Engine #328. The tentative purchase number is \$10,000 to \$15,000. Chief Gieser plans to suggest \$10,000 to purchase the unit. The working conditions within the department, outlaying fire departments, and law enforcement have improved. Additionally Chief Gieser presented future projects to enhance the district. Chief Gieser and trustees as a team effort secured a \$150,000 anonymous grant. The grant is payable over three years. The initial \$75,000 was utilized to upgrade Wt-311, \$50,000 is specified for breathing apparatus, and \$25,000 for incidentals including a future new station on Rocky Point Road. During Gordon's three years, the district has progressed in leaps and bounds and hopefully he will remain with the district for many years. The cost savings for equipment maintenance alone has paid his salary for one year. Chief Gieser's main focus is all the stations in the district need to be treated as equitably as possible. Chair Nelson personally thanked Chief Gieser for all his expertise and knowledge to upgrade the district. The executive session is where policy from the board gets communicated and the chief will understand the direction of the board. Currently there is no discrepancy between the board and chief. Alison Meslin commented Chief Gieser has been a breath of fresh air for the residents of Big Arm and is thoroughly appreciated. Gordon replied there was not any equitable administration in process.

RESCHEDULE JULY MEETING TO JULY 15TH

TO FACILITATE YEAR END CLOSING {33:33} - Chair Nelson announced the July meeting will be July 15th 6:00 p.m. at Station 1 Fairgrounds Station.

PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS {34:07} – Lee Engbretson thanked the board for the opportunity to meet at the Big Arm Fire Station. Lee recognized Jeff and Ann Veach for the grounds maintenance. The church is planning a July 4th outdoor concert at the school house. The

concert is contingent with school board approval. Plan B is a request to schedule the outdoor concert at the fire station in the grass area 8 to 9:30 p.m. The school board will most likely approve the request. Trustee Clapp commented the station is staffed during the 4th of July and the area needs to be clear for apparatus movement. The board approved the area for the outdoor concert.

FY 2020-2021 budget process Trustee Wunderlich indicated the meeting will be scheduled in July following the July 15 expenditure process.

ADJOURN {38:41} - Trustee Roberts motion to adjourn. Trustee Doty second. Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Chair Nelson thanked everyone for attending.

ADJOURN 6:39 P.M.

The July 15th meeting is scheduled at Station No. 1 Fairgrounds Station

Fred J. Nelson, Chair

Dick Wunderlich Secretary-Treasure:

AGENDA

Polson Rural Fire District Trustees Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, June 10, 2020
6:00 p.m. Regular Monthly Meeting
Station No. 2 Big Arm Station
25-B Regatta Rd.
Polson,, MT 59860

TRUSTEES MEETING INCLUDES:

COMMENT BY RAISING YOUR HAND

REVIEW MINUTES – MAY 13, 2020 COMMUNICATIONS REVIEW AND APPROVE CLAIMS

TREASURER'S REPORT

CHIEF'S REPORT MEMBERSHIP REPORT BONNIE BONNIE

CHIEF GIESER & BONNIE
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CHIEF GIESER CHAIR JEFF VEACH

OLD BUSINESS

COMMENT BY RAISING YOUR HAND

PER-DIEM POLICY

TRUSTEE WUNDERLICH

NEW BUSINESS

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ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW CHIEF GIESER

CHAIR NELSON

RESCHEDULED JULY MEETING TO JULY 15TH

TO FACILITATE YEAR END CLOSING. CHIEF GIESER & BONNIE

PUBLIC INPUT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURN

ALL RESIDENTS OF THE POLSON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND AND PROVIDE HELPFUL COMMENTS. ALL ITEMS TO BE ON THE AGENDA MUST BE SUBMITTED 10 DAYS IN ADVANCE.

POLSON RURAL FIRE BOARD OPERATING FUND #7245 May 2020 claims approved 06/10/2020

Num		Description	Memo	Category	Amount
7455		Century Link	Acct#411978591 883-4244 Fairgrounds Stn #1 landline	317 Phone {Landline} - Fairgrounds Stn.	-63.10
7456		City Of Polson	Utility Billing Acct 7304 FairgroundsStnFillSpout	316 Water Fill Spout - Fairgrounds Stn.	-61.34
7457	S	Davis & Brown CPAs PC	Inv#6221 5/04/20 calculate electronic pyrl tax dep	345 Payroll Accounting Fire Chief Salary	-9.90
			nv#6221 5/06/20 run pyrl w/reports	345 Payroll Accounting Fire Chief Salary	-14.30
			Inv#6221 5/20/20 run pyrl w/reports	345 Payroll Accounting Fire Chief Salary	-17.82
7458	S	First Bank Card	5/05/20 Waytex vinyl therm kit -shop	201 Operating Supplies	-85.44
			5/05/20 Waytex surface mount circuit breaker - shop	201 Operating Supplies	-53.67
			5/05/20 Waytex surface mount LED circuit breaker - shop	201 Operating Supplies	-13.28
			5/05/20 Waytex shipping	201 Operating Supplies	-13.23
			5/20/20 Amazon Darley valve2.5" gate wt308	201 Operating Supplies	-199.95
			5/20/20 Darley shipping	201 Operating Supplies	-15.95
7459		Lorinda Freeman	Fairgrounds Stn. May. 2020 weekly cleaning	321 Cleaning Services - Fairgrounds Stn.	-125.00
7460	S	Heiman Fire Equipment	3-survivor LED w/charger	204 Turnouts Structure & Wildland	-416.85
		1-1-1	Shipping	204 Turnouts Structure & Wildland	-17.94
7461		John Deere	Acct#11113-40551 2-leatherman raptor	201 Operating Supplies	-143.98
7462	S	L.N. Curtis & Sons	1-Akron brass custom electric valve wt-310	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-1455.00
	_		2-Akron navigator pro mini valve wt-310	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-460.00
•			Transportation	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-67.91
7463	S	Mission Valley Power	Location #2806820000	302 Electricity - Big Arm Station	-85.28
	_	,,	Location #2876820001;2876820002 {1-security light}	302 Electricity - Big Arm Station	-10.05
			Location #2400744000	315 Electricity - Fairgrounds Station	-268.25
			Location #1401370000	322 Electricity - Stn #4 36300 CaffreyRd	-200.79
7464		Out Back Toilets	Inv#6429 Toilet Rental Feb 2020 Stn#4	324 -Maintenance - Station #4	-90.00
7465		PayneWest Insurance	AcctLAKECOU-03	501 Insurance commercial package	-684.00
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7466		Platt	Cust #320880 Inv#0147318 1-blst	320 Repairs & Maint. Fairgrounds Station	-29.72
Num		Description	Memo	Category	Amount
7467	s	Polson Auto Parts, Inc.	Inv 583976 Anti lock brake sys E-#333	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-80.99
1401	0	r olson Auto r alts, inc.	Inv 583976 Anti lock brake sys E-#333	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-60.99 -48.11
			Inv 584564 1-oil filter U-301	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-6.43
			Inv 584564 7-mobil oil U-301	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-41.93
			Inv 584738 4 gal Zerex premix E-318	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-38.72
			Inv 584762 6-htr hose E-318	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-3.18
		•	Inv 584762 2-hose clamp E-318	211 Vehicle Repair & Maint Supplies	-1.74
7468		Republic Services	Acct #3-0889-0014329 Inv #0889-002614784	319 Disposal Service - Fairgrounds Stn.	-66.28
7469		Western Building Center	QUOTE #12852328 3-saw 572xp 24" 50GA 3/8	201 Operating Supplies	-2754.00
7470	S	WEX Bank	Truck #314	210 Gas, Diesel, Oil	-14.81
			Truck #301	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-97.32
			Truck #318	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-21.44
			Truck #328	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-28.89
			Truck #319	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-41.40
			Truck #323	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-39.00
			Truck #300	210 Gas, Diesel, Oil	-86.78
			Truck #333	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-20.13
			Truck #308	210 Gas, Diesel,Oil	-20.62
			Truck #313	210 Gas, Diesel, Oil	-26.71
7471		MT Fire Trustees' Assoc.	Annual Dues FY20-21	331 Membership & Dues	-250.00
				Claims total	-8291.23